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The Honorable Bill Hardiman, Chair
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan State Senate
Lansing, Michigan 48933

The Honorable Dudley Spade, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan House of Representatives
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Senator Hardiman and Representative Spade:

Section 281 of 2006 Public Act 345 (Enrolled House Bill 5796) requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to report to you a summary of final decisions and recommendations rendered by the State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (SOAHR) for contested cases under jurisdiction of DHS. Reports for the first and second quarter of fiscal year 2006-2007 have previously been provided. Our report for the third quarter of fiscal year 2006-2007 is attached.

SOAHR collects information concerning administrative hearings and creates a database of case type information. However, information identifying whether a final decision or recommendation was rendered in favor of the DHS or whether the parties negotiated a settlement is not tracked. Further, neither SOAHR nor DHS track the number of final orders issued by the director that agree or disagree with SOAHR recommendations.

The attached report is organized by case type. The report includes the average number of days before a case is closed during the quarter. The report also includes information on the number of cases SOAHR received, the number of hearings SOAHR scheduled, the number of hearings held and the number of cases completed.

If you have any questions, please contact John Sorbet, chief administrative officer, at 373-7787.

Sincerely,

Ismael Ahmed

c: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Senate and House Fiscal Agencies and Policy Offices
Auditor General
State Budget Office

State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (DHS)

Quarterly Casetype Report (3rd Quarter Fiscal Year 2006-2007)

Case Type	Cases Received	Hearings Scheduled	Hearings Held	Cases Completed	Average Days to Close
Adoption Subsidy	2	0	0	0	
Adult Medical Program	120	97	24	182	73
Child Development and Care	186	174	53	246	88
State Emergency Relief	201	198	47	247	64
Food Assistance Program	1371	949	268	1260	50
State Medical Program	0	0	0	1	79
Direct Support Services	9	12	2	11	97
Family Independence Program	390	323	85	505	79
JET	137	88	31	88	48
Medicaid Eligibility ¹	849	718	222	1101	113
Title IVE	29	13	8	38	78
Medicaid Disability ¹	972	1147	807	937	163
SSI	20	37	8	45	76
Expunction	48	4	3	28	n/a
SDA Disability ¹	36	49	24	57	130
SDA Eligibility ¹	53	32	9	43	100
OCAL	28	61	26	24	55
Totals:	4451	3902	1617	4813	

¹ Codes for these programs began use on 12/15/05